

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions:

- 1.(Currently Amended) A multi-directional stretch performance fabric comprising:
a two-sided single layer stretch warp knit fabric comprising
a first side formed by stitches of a first yarn,
a second side formed by a stitch evaded portion of a second yarn, and
an elastomeric or stretch yarn having an elongation at break of greater than 100%, said elastomeric or stretch yarn incorporated into the front stitches,
wherein the elastomeric or stretch yarn forces the stitch evaded yarn to the second side, and wherein the fabric is integrally formed using at least two guide bars such that the first and second sides have at least one different quality from the other side, thereby providing a multi-directional stretch performance fabric for use alone or as an article including the fabric.
- 2.(Cancelled)
- 3.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein at least two guide bars are used without the warp knit fabric including a spandex yarn.
- 4.(Original) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein at least three guide bars are used where the warp knit fabric includes a spandex yarn.
- 5.(Original) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least two guide bars include a first front guide bar, a second middle guide bar, and a third back guide bar, wherein the guide bars are each fully or partly threaded.
- 6.(Original) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a color difference.
- 7.(Original) The fabric according to claim 6, wherein the color difference results from a

dyeing process.

8.(Previously Presented) The fabric according to claim 7, wherein the dyeing process is selected from the group consisting of solution dyeing, yarn dyeing, fabric piece dyeing, and combinations thereof.

9.(Original) The fabric according to claim 6, wherein the color difference includes a shade difference.

10.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes at least one side having a metallic appearance.

11.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a fiber type difference.

12.(Previously Presented) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the fabric includes a fiber selected from the group consisting of nylon, polyester, cotton, wool, and combinations thereof.

13.(Previously Presented) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the fabric includes a fiber type selected from the group consisting of multifilament, textured multifilament, spun staple, and combinations thereof.

14.(Cancelled)

15.(Previously Presented) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the stretch yarn component is spandex or poly butylene terephthalate (PBT).

16.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a fiber size difference between the first and second sides.

17.(Previously Amended) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the fabric includes a fiber type including at least one type of microdenier fiber(s).

18.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a pattern difference between the first and second sides.

19.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 18, wherein pattern difference is selected from the group consisting of printed, embossed, specialty yarn, embroidery, stitch-based, and the like, and combinations thereof.

20.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a texture difference between the first and second sides.

21.(Canceled)

22.(Original) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality provides for at least 90% quality unique to each side.

23.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a finish-enhanced difference between the first and second sides.

24.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a brushed surface difference between the first and second sides.

25.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a chemically treated difference between the first and second sides.

26.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a sueded difference between the first and second sides.

27.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a sanded face between the first and second sides.

28.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes a brightness difference between the first and second sides.

29.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality includes an opacity difference between the first and second sides.

30.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the at least one different quality between the first and second sides affects fabric performance.

31.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 30, wherein the quality is selected from the group consisting of wicking, breathability, water-resistance, stain resistance, comfort, heat transfer, insulation, cooling, flame retardancy, reflectivity, and combinations thereof.

32.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 31, wherein the difference is caused by different fiber sizes on the first and second sides.

33.(Withdrawn) The fabric according to claim 31, wherein the difference is caused by at least one chemical treatment.

34.(Original) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein the fabric weight ranges between

about four oz/yd² and about 12 oz/yd² depending upon the application.

35.(Original) The fabric according to claim 1, wherein fiber components forming the fabric have weight ranges between about 20 to about 150 denier.

36.(Currently Amended) A two-sided single layer warp-knit fabric comprising:

a first side formed by stitches of a first yarn,

a second side formed by a stitch evaded portion of a second yarn, and

an elastomeric or stretch yarn having an elongation at break of greater than 100%,

said elastomeric or stretch yarn incorporated into the front stitches, wherein the elastomeric or stretch yarn forces the stitch evaded yarn to the second side, the fabric being integrally formed using at least two guide bars, such that the first and second sides have at least one different quality, thereby providing a multi-directional stretch performance fabric for use alone or as article.

37.(Currently Amended) An article using a multi-directional stretch performance fabric comprising:

a two-sided single layer stretch warp knit fabric further comprising

a first side formed by stitches of a first yarn,

a second side formed by a stitch evaded portion of a second yarn, and

an elastomeric or stretch yarn having an elongation at break of greater than 100%, said

elastomeric or stretch yarn incorporated into the front stitches, wherein the elastomeric or stretch yarn forces the stitch evaded yarn to the second side, the fabric being integrally formed using at least two guide bars, such that the first and second sides have at least one different quality, wherein the article is formed from the multi-directional stretch performance fabric for providing an article having at least one different quality on its outside and its inside.

38.(Original) The article according to claim 37 wherein the article is a garment.

39.(Original) The article according to claim 37, wherein the article is used in applications including active sportswear, swimwear, performance wear, athletic wear, intimate apparel, medical, fitness wear, industrial/protective wear, sleep wear, military, security or police or other law enforcement protective wear.

40.(Original) The article according to claim 37, wherein the article is an accessory.

41.(Withdrawn) A method for forming a multi-directional stretch performance fabric comprising the steps of:

providing a warp knitting machine having at least two guide bars with yarn components;
providing a knitting pattern for making a single layer warp knit fabric using a stitch evasion technique;

forming a two-sided single layer stretch warp knit fabric according to the pattern on the machine, the fabric further comprising a first side and a second side that are integrally formed using the at least two guide bars, such that the first and second sides of the fabric have at least one different quality from the other side, thereby providing a multi-directional stretch performance fabric for use alone or as an article including the fabric.

42.(Withdrawn) The method according to claim 41, further including the step of processing the fabric to create at least one different quality between the first and second sides of the fabric.

43.(Withdrawn) The method according to claim 42, wherein the step includes: napping, brushing, sueding, chemical treating, finishing, printing, embossing, and combinations thereof.